

WINNING THE RACE OF LIFE

Enjoy the Adventure, Part 8

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Philippians 3:12-21

FOUR QUESTIONS FOR THE RACE: IF I WANT TO REACH MY GOAL...

1. Where do I need to _____ ?

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it.

Philippians 3:12-13

2. What _____ do I need to let go of?

But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind...

Verse 13

This is what the Lord says... Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See I am doing a new thing!

Isaiah. 43:16-19

What to Forget:

My _____

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Jesus said, "Anyone who starts to plow and then keeps looking back is of no use for the Kingdom of God."

Luke 9:62 (GN)

3. Where do I need to _____ toward my goal?

But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead...

Verse 13-14

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize.

1 Corinthians 9:24

...I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Verse 14

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day.

2 Timothy 4:7-8

4. Where do I need to _____ despite difficulties?

Let us not become weary in doing good. For at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9